

PROVIDING FOR SWEARING IN OF MR. BRIAN P. BILBRAY, OF CALIFORNIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from California, Mr. BRIAN P. BILBRAY, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest, and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE BRIAN P. BILBRAY, OF CALIFORNIA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER. Will the Representative-elect and the members of the California delegation present themselves in the well.

The Representative-elect will please raise his right hand.

Mr. BILBRAY appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are now a Member of the 109th Congress.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE BRIAN P. BILBRAY TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

(Mr. STARK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, as dean of the California delegation, it is my distinct honor at this point to yield to the senior member of the Republican California delegation, Mr. DREIER.

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, since March 4, 1789, when the United States Congress was established, 11,792 individuals have had the opportunity to serve as Members of the United States Congress. During that period of time, a grand total of 29 have left this institution and come back representing a different district. Five of our sitting colleagues now fall among those 29: Mr. INSLEE; Mr. COOPER; Mr. PAUL; our California colleague Mr. LUNGREN; and now the gentleman who is here to work and ready to make sure that we stop the problem of illegal immigration, deal with the global war on terror, and make sure that we suc-

ceed in growing our economy, our colleague, Mr. BILBRAY.

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to, first of all, in the traditional way, thank my family and my friends, who were willing to support me through this quite unusual campaign. I would like to thank the people of the 50th District for giving me their trust and huge responsibility to represent them.

For those who may not know, the 50th District is a classic California coastline district, very environmentally sensitive; and I am grateful today that they believe in recycling Congressmen.

I know there are those in this room that are not happy to see me return, and all I ask of those is give me a chance to work with you again. I think we had a good working relationship in the past, and I look forward to a great working relationship in the future.

I would like to thank those of you that stood up and helped me in every way. This was obviously a team effort, and it was one that was well thought, hard fought, and well won.

Ladies and gentlemen, I leave you with one message: there were 18 people running for this seat. The voters had one of the broadest choices of any congressional race. But there was one issue and only one issue that allowed me to be elected. It was not my experience. It was not my hard work, and God knows it was not my intellect. It was the fact that the people in the 50th District wanted something done, they wanted a job and a message sent to Washington, that now and here is the time to address illegal immigration.

We did not enjoy the situation or appreciate the problem that created the vacancy, but let me say quite clearly what is obvious in the last few months is that the greatest scandal in America is not that one man broke the law, but that 12 million illegal immigrants are in this country and Washington is not doing enough about it.

So I ask you, even if you disagree with me on this issue, let us join together and work to address this issue so that both sides, Democrat and Republican, and Independent, can go home proud that we did right by the American people and worked together for our future and our grandchildren's future.

Thank you very much.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from California, Mr. BRIAN P. BILBRAY, the whole number of the House is 433.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 4939, EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR DEFENSE, THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERROR, AND HURRICANE RECOVERY, 2006

The SPEAKER. The unfinished business is the question of adoption of the conference report on the bill, H.R. 4939.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the conference report.

Pursuant to clause 10 of rule XX, the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 351, nays 67, not voting 14, as follows:

[Roll No. 257]

YEAS—351

Aderholt	Cubin	Hoekstra
Akin	Cuellar	Holden
Alexander	Culberson	Hooley
Allen	Cummings	Hostettler
Andrews	Davis (AL)	Hoyer
Baca	Davis (CA)	Hulshof
Bachus	Davis (FL)	Hunter
Baird	Davis (IL)	Hyde
Baker	Davis (KY)	Inglis (SC)
Barrett (SC)	Davis (TN)	Israel
Barrow	Davis, Jo Ann	Issa
Bartlett (MD)	Davis, Tom	Istook
Bass	DeFazio	Jackson (IL)
Bean	DeGette	Jackson-Lee
Beauprez	Dent	(TX)
Becerra	Diaz-Balart, L.	Jefferson
Berman	Diaz-Balart, M.	Jenkins
Berry	Dicks	Jindal
Biggert	Dingell	Johnson (CT)
Bilbray	Doggett	Johnson (IL)
Billakis	Doolittle	Johnson, E. B.
Bishop (GA)	Doyle	Johnson, Sam
Bishop (NY)	Drake	Jones (OH)
Bishop (UT)	Dreier	Kanjorski
Blunt	Edwards	Kaptur
Boehlert	Ehlers	Keller
Boehner	Emanuel	Kelly
Bonilla	Emerson	Kennedy (MN)
Bonner	Engel	Kennedy (RI)
Bono	English (PA)	Kildee
Boozman	Etheridge	Kipatrik (MI)
Boren	Everett	Kind
Boswell	Fattah	King (NY)
Boucher	Feeney	Kingston
Boustany	Ferguson	Kirk
Boyd	Fitzpatrick (PA)	Kline
Bradley (NH)	Foley	Knollenberg
Brady (PA)	Forbes	Kolbe
Brady (TX)	Ford	Kuhl (NY)
Brown (OH)	Fortenberry	LaHood
Brown (SC)	Fossella	Langevin
Brown, Corrine	Fox	Lantos
Brown-Waite,	Franks (AZ)	Larsen (WA)
Ginny	Frelinghuysen	Larson (CT)
Burgess	Gallely	Latham
Burton (IN)	Garrett (NJ)	LaTourrette
Butterfield	Gerlach	Leach
Buyer	Gibbons	Levin
Calvert	Gilchrest	Lewis (CA)
Camp (MI)	Gingrey	Lewis (KY)
Cantor	Gonzalez	Linder
Capito	Goode	Lipinski
Capuano	Goodlatte	LoBiondo
Cardin	Gordon	Lowe
Cardoza	Granger	Lucas
Carnahan	Graves	Lungren, Daniel
Carson	Green (WI)	E.
Carter	Green, Al	Lynch
Case	Green, Gene	Mack
Castle	Gutknecht	Maloney
Chabot	Hall	Marchant
Chandler	Harman	Marshall
Chocola	Harris	Matheson
Clay	Hart	Matsui
Cleaver	Hastings (FL)	McCarthy
Clyburn	Hastings (WA)	McCaul (TX)
Cole (OK)	Hayes	McCotter
Conaway	Hayworth	McCrery
Conyers	Hefley	McHugh
Cooper	Herger	McIntyre
Costa	Herseth	McKeon
Cramer	Higgins	McMorris
Crenshaw	Hinojosa	Meek (FL)
Crowley	Hobson	Meeks (NY)